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PATENT APPLICATION

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of **Lorna Strachan, Matthew Sleeman, Nevin Abernethy, Rene Onrust, Krishanand D. Kumble and James G. Murison**

Group Art Unit: 1646

Application No. : 09/823,038

Filed : March 28, 2001

For : **COMPOSITIONS ISOLATED FROM STROMAL CELLS  
AND METHODS FOR THEIR USE**

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**PETITION TO ACCEPT AN UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED CLAIM  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir or Madam:

Applicants hereby petition that the subject patent application be amended to claim priority to U.S. Patent Application No. 09/383,586, filed August 26, 1999, now U.S. Patent 6,424,419; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/276,268, filed March 25, 1999, now abandoned; International Patent Application No. PCT/NZ00/00015, filed February 18, 2000; and U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/221,216, filed July 25, 2000.

The entire delay between the date the claim was due under paragraph (a)(2) of 37 CFR §1.78 and the date of filing of this claim was unintentional. The required surcharge fee of \$1,280.00 is included in the check for \$1,335.00 submitted herewith.

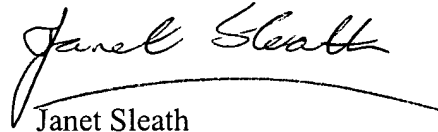
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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Janet Sleath". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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